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H. R. 2122

To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to require candidates for election to the House of Representatives or Senate to raise not less than 50 percent of the contributions made with respect to the election from individuals who reside in the State the candidate seeks to represent.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CALVERT (for himself, Mr. SHAW, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. PETRI, Mr. GUTKNECHT, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. WELDON of Florida, and Mr. HANSEN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. REQUIRING MAJORITY OF AMOUNT OF CON-**
2 **TRIBUTIONS ACCEPTED BY CONGRESSIONAL**
3 **CANDIDATES TO COME FROM IN-STATE RESI-**
4 **DENTS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 315 of the Federal Elec-
6 tion Campaign Act of 1971 (2 U.S.C. 441a) is amended
7 by adding at the end the following new subsection:

8 “(i)(1) The total amount of contributions accepted
9 with respect to an election by a candidate for the office
10 of Senator or the office of Representative in, or Delegate
11 or Resident Commissioner to, the Congress from in-State
12 individual residents shall be at least 50 percent of the total
13 amount of contributions accepted from all sources.

14 “(2) If a candidate in an election makes expenditures
15 of personal funds (including contributions by the can-
16 didate or the candidate’s spouse to the candidate’s author-
17 ized campaign committee) in an amount in excess of
18 \$250,000, paragraph (1) shall not apply with respect to
19 any opponent of the candidate in the election.

20 “(3) In determining the amount of contributions ac-
21 cepted by a candidate for purposes of paragraph (1), the
22 amounts of any contributions made by a political com-
23 mittee of a political party shall be allocated as follows:

24 “(A) 50 percent of such amounts shall be
25 deemed to be contributions from in-State individual
26 residents.

1 “(B) 50 percent of such amounts shall be
2 deemed to be contributions from persons other than
3 in-State individual residents.

4 “(4) As used in this subsection, the term ‘in-State
5 individual resident’ means an individual who resides in the
6 State in which the election involved is held.”.

7 (b) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—Section 304 of
8 such Act (2 U.S.C. 434), as amended by section 502(a)
9 of the Department of Transportation and Related Agen-
10 cies Act, 2001 (as enacted into law by reference under
11 section 101(a) of Public Law 106–346), is amended by
12 adding at the end the following new subsection:

13 “(e)(1) Each principal campaign committee of a can-
14 didate for the Senate or the House of Representatives
15 shall include the following information in the first report
16 filed under subsection (a)(2) which covers the period
17 which begins 19 days before an election and ends 20 days
18 after the election:

19 “(A) The total contributions received by the
20 committee with respect to the election involved from
21 in-State individual residents (as defined in section
22 315(i)(4)), as of the last day of the period covered
23 by the report.

24 “(B) The total contributions received by the
25 committee with respect to the election involved from

1 all persons, as of the last day of the period covered
 2 by the report.

3 “(2)(A) Each principal campaign committee of a can-
 4 didate for the Senate or the House of Representatives
 5 shall submit a notification to the Commission of the first
 6 expenditure of personal funds (including contributions by
 7 the candidate or the candidate’s spouse to the committee)
 8 by which the aggregate amount of personal funds ex-
 9 pended (or contributed) with respect to the election ex-
 10 ceeds \$250,000.

11 “(B) Each notification under subparagraph (A)—

12 “(I) shall be submitted not later than 24 hours
 13 after the expenditure or contribution which is the
 14 subject of the notification is made; and

15 “(II) shall include the name of the candidate,
 16 the office sought by the candidate, and the date of
 17 the expenditure or contribution and amount of the
 18 expenditure or contribution involved.”.

19 (c) PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF LIMITS.—Section
 20 309(d) of such Act (2 U.S.C. 437g(d)) is amended by add-
 21 ing at the end the following new paragraph:

22 “(4)(A) Any candidate who knowingly and willfully
 23 accepts contributions in excess of any limitation provided
 24 under section 315(i) shall be fined an amount equal to
 25 the greater of 200 percent of the amount accepted in ex-

1 cess of the applicable limitation or (if applicable) the
2 amount provided in paragraph (1)(A).

3 “(B) Interest shall be assessed against any portion
4 of a fine imposed under subparagraph (A) which remains
5 unpaid after the expiration of the 30-day period which be-
6 gins on the date the fine is imposed.”.

7 **SEC. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

8 The amendments made by this Act shall apply with
9 respect to elections occurring after January 2003.

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